

8.3.7 The total budget of this project at national level would be of Rs. 650.43 crores out of which 80% would be funded through the World Bank Loan and 20% would be borne by the Govt. of India. Out of 20% share of Govt. of India the cost (except for that on regional training centres) would be shared by the States/UTs to the extent of 25% of the expenditure if the works related by construction activities under this project, while the Govt. of India shall bear the remaining 75% of the expenditure on this account.

8.3.8 In case of construction of building, the state government would provide the necessary land and/or buildings. Manpower and recurring expenditure if any will be provided by the state government.

8.3.9 The expenditure on the staff requirement will be met by the state government. The project will be implemented and completed in the five year period during the 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan. Under this project “State Strategic Statistical Plan (SSSP)” would be prepared by Punjab with the assistance of a consultant. Directorate of Economic & Statistics, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has already selected as consultant for the preparation of SSSP of Punjab State under ISSP. On the basis of “State Strategic Statistical Plan” Govt. of India would provide funds to Punjab Govt. for strengthening Statistical System of Punjab. An outlay of Rs. 20.00 crore and Rs. 4.00 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

### **New Schemes**

#### **CS-3 Basic Statistics for Local Level development (BSLLD).**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.08 crore*

8.3.10 Under the scheme, the data is to be collected regarding the honourarium paid to data recorder, District Supervisor, data entry operator etc. An outlay of Rs. 0.40 crore and Rs. 0.08 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

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## **8.4 CIVIL SUPPLIES**

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*Outlay – Rs. 3.93 crore*

8.4.1 The State of Punjab procured wheat and paddy at the at the minimum support price (MSP) prescribed by the GoI for Central Pool. The yearwise detail of procurement

alongwith MSP and bonus paid are as follows:-

| <b>Crop of the Year (Wheat)</b> | <b>Quantity Procured<br/>(in lac mts)</b> | <b>Minimum Support Price +<br/>Bonus</b> |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| 2007-08                         | 79.11                                     | Rs.750 +100                              |
| 2008-09                         | 106.04                                    | Rs.1000                                  |
| 2009-10                         | 110.09                                    | Rs.1080                                  |
| 2010-11                         | 102.78                                    | Rs.1100                                  |
| 2011-12                         | 110.94                                    | Rs.1120 + 50                             |
| 2012-13                         | 129.25                                    | Rs.1285                                  |

| <b>Crop of the<br/>Year (Paddy)</b> | <b>Quantity Procured<br/>(in lac mts)</b> | <b>Minimum Support Price + Bonus</b> |                |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                     |   | <b>Common</b>                        | <b>Grade A</b> |
| 2007-08                             | 126.58                                    | Rs.645 + 100                         | Rs.675 + 100   |
| 2008-09                             | 132.20                                    | Rs.850 + 50                          | Rs.880 + 50    |
| 2009-10                             | 142.49                                    | Rs.950 + 50                          | Rs.980 + 50    |
| 2010-11                             | 131.36                                    | Rs.12000                             | Rs.1030        |
| 2011-12                             | 120.16                                    | Rs.1080                              | Rs.1110        |
| 2012-13                             |   |                                      |                |

8.4.2 The Public Distribution system is successfully implemented for the benefit of poor families. The no. of BPL families in Punjab is 523681, out of which 344476 are rural BPL families and 179205 urban BPL families. As per 2004-05 report of Late Shri Tendulkar, the poverty ratio for Punjab was reworked at 20.9% (8.73 lac rural + 4.02 lac urban = 12.75 lac) These figures were based on NSSO consumption survey of 2004-05. The poverty ratio has been revised to 15.9% based on the latest NSSO consumption survey of 2009-10. As per these estimates, there are about 9.75 lac BPL families in the State.

#### **Atta Dal**

8.4.3 The state government has introduced Atta Dal scheme meant for economically weaker section of the society w.e.f on 15/8/2007 for providing subsidized wheat and pulses and about 15.41 lac poor families are getting subsidized food and pulses under this scheme. From August, 2007 to March, 2012 state government has provided subsidy of Rs.1343.05 crore. Under this scheme, each family member is being given 5 kg wheat per month maximum 25 kg wheat for each family @ Rs.4 per kg & 0.5 kg dal per member maximum 2.5 kg each

family @ Rs.20 per kg. The pending liability is to be paid by the state government from 2007 to March 2012 to the agencies is as under:-

**(Rs. in Cr)**

| <b>Sr.No.</b> | <b>Total subsidy paid during 2007-12</b> | <b>Interest paid by Agencies</b> | <b>Total liability (Col.2+Col.3)</b> | <b>Amount released by the State Govt. to agency</b> | <b>Net liability to be paid by the State Govt. (Co.4-Col.5)</b> |
|---------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>1</b>      | <b>2</b>                                 | <b>3</b>                         | <b>4</b>                             | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>  |
| 1             | 1343.05                                  | 361.24                           | 1704.29                              | 284.49  | 1419.80   |

The annual subsidy in 2012-13 works out to Rs. 460.00 Cr.

### **Food Storage**

8.4.4 Presently, food storage capacity in the state is 200 lac MT. Now the PUNGRAIN is made a nodal agency for construction of new godowns and also floated tenders for construction of covered godowns for 7 year guarantee under the PEG-2008 (Private Entrepreneur Godowns) scheme. After the approval of High Level Committee of Govt. of India/FCI contracts for a capacity of 12.29 lac MT have been issued to the successful bidders in March/April last year. Another capacity of 29 lac MT covered godowns have also been awarded. In total PUNGRAIN has issued contracts for construction of covered godowns to the tune of 41.29 lac MT. An outlay of Rs. 21.60 crore and Rs. 3.93 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

### **On Going Schemes**

#### **Centrally Sponsored/Funded Schemes**

##### **CS-01/1 Consumer Welfare Fund (50:50)**

*Outlay – Rs. 2.60 crore*

8.4.5 The overall objective of the Consumer Welfare Fund is to provide financial assistance to promote and protect the welfare of consumers and strengthen the voluntary consumer movement particularly in the rural areas. The total quantum of assistance of an individual application will not exceed Rs. 5.00 lac. The quantum of assistance will be decided by the Committee constituted under Rule-5 of the Consumer Welfare Fund Rules. Preference will be given to organization having an All India Character and those working in rural areas

and having larger participation of women. An outlay of Rs. 15.00 crore and Rs. 2.60 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

### **State Funded Scheme**

#### **CS-02/2 Enforcement of Consumer Protection Act, 1986.**

*Outlay – Rs. 1.00 crore*

8.4.6 The Consumer Protection Act, 1986 came into force w.e.f. 15th April, 1987. Punjab State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission and 17 District Consumer Forums have been established. Three more district forums are to be set up in the new districts of Mohali, Tarn Taran and Barnala. An outlay of Rs. 5.00 crore and Rs. 1.00 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

#### **CS-03/3 Upgradation of facilities in Three Weights and Measures Laboratories in the State**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.30 crore*

8.4.7 The state government enacted the Punjab Standards of Weights and Measures (Enforcement) Rules 1993 to enforce the Acts and Rules enacted by GoI in this regard. It is the responsibility of the Legal Metrology Organization, Punjab to ensure the accuracy of all Weights and Measures, Weighing and Measuring instruments and to keep check upon manufacturers and packers etc. The organization is also responsible for consumer protection in respect of package commodities by providing indication on the package of net quantity by weight and measure or number etc. This organization also gives approval of models of weighing & measuring instruments and weights & measures. An outlay of Rs. 1.50 crore and Rs. 0.30 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

### **100% Centrally Sponsored Schemes**

#### **CS-2 Consumer Welfare Fund for Setting up Consumer Clubs in the Schools of Punjab State**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.40 crore*

8.4.8 An outlay of Rs. 200.00 lac and Rs. 0.40 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

#### **CS- 3 Creating Consumer Awareness in the State**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.40 crore*

8.4.9 An outlay of Rs. 2.00 crore and Rs. 0.40 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

**CS-4 One Time Grant for Strengthening and Modernizing State Consumer Commission and District Consumer Forum**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.40 crore*

8.4.10 An amount of Rs. 0.01 crore was provided in the Annual Plan 2009-10 in anticipation of receipt of grant from Government of India for newly created districts of Mohali, Tarn Taran and Barnala. An outlay of Rs. 2.00 crore and Rs. 0.40 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

**CS-5 Integrated Project on Consumer Protection Scheme**

*Outlay – Rs. 1.00 crore*

8.4.11 An outlay of Rs. 500.00 lac and Rs. 1.00 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

**CS-8 Strengthening the infrastructure of Consumer Fora (100%).**

*Outlay – Rs. 0.50 crore*

8.4.12 An outlay of Rs. 1.00 crore and Rs. 0.50 crore is provided for 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan and Annual Plan 2012-13 respectively.

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**8.5 BORDER AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

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*Outlay - Rs. 40.00 crore*

8.5.1 Punjab has a 553 Km long international border with Pakistan. The total border area of the state is 6369.82 Sq. kms (approximately). At the time of partition, the three border districts (now six) of the undivided Punjab, namely Amritsar, Gurdaspur, Ferozepur, Tarn Taran, Fazilka and Pathankot were the most prosperous as they enjoyed better soil fertility and irrigation facilities. However, with the passage of time, these districts have lagged behind in development due to their proximity to the border and particularly the long spell of cross border terrorism. Farmers living in the border areas face acute hardships as they cannot cultivate tall crops which can ensure them better remuneration. Moreover, the farmers of the border belt are handicapped to accord proper attention to their crops due to lot of restrictions on their movement. Rivers Ravi and Sutlej are passing through the border districts of Gurdaspur and Ferozepur respectively and often wash away the crops of these areas during the rainy seasons by way of flooding. In addition, there are a number of choes/ distributaries of these rivers, which also cause damage to the crops of this area.